

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative McElroy, Lillian Mae Senator _____
Represented Summit, Page, Mills and Montgomery Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 28 Apr 1917 near Maynard, Iowa
Wayne County, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Paul Edward McElroy 28 June 1936 Randall, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business She owned and named an Iowa Market Sales Home maker

B. Civic responsibilities 4-H, Iowa Heart Association; Summit
County Historical Society; Girl Scouts; Red Cross; PEO

C. Profession Farmer; business woman; housewife

4. Church membership Percival Community Church

5. Sessions served 64th, 65th, 66th General Assemblies 1971-1972;
1973-1974; 1975-1976

6. Public Offices

A. Local She served on the Summit County Extension Board

B. State She served on the State of Iowa Extension Advisory Board

C. National _____

7. Death 12 Nov 2009 Nebraska City, Nebraska; Council Bluffs Cemetery, Bluffs, Iowa

8. Children Georgyl (Mrs. Richard Sjulin); Sharon (Mrs. Dale King);
Diann (Mrs. Randall Seeger); Paul Rodney

9. Names of parents Harry Laverne and Caroline (Meyer) Arthur

McElroy, Lillian

10. Education She graduated from the Boardman, Iowa
High School

11. Degrees She received an Associate Degree in Education from
Upper Iowa University, Fayette, Iowa

12. Other applicable information Republican
Lillian lived in Fayette County, Iowa and there she met Paul Elmer McElroy
who until 1942, was the Fayette County Extension Director.
- In 1942 he returned to his home in Summit County, Iowa near Percival
- Paul also served in the Iowa Legislature in the 59th, 60th General Assemblies
1961 and 1963.

**Lillian M. McElroy
died November 12**

Funeral services for Lillian M. McElroy, 92, of Percival, IA, were held November 16 at the Percival Community Church in Percival with the Rev. Blaine Pritchett officiating. Mrs McElroy died November 12, 2009, at Duff's Friendship Villa in Nebraska City, NE, following a brief illness.

The memory registry was cared for by Phyllis Layman and Linda Murdock. The flower committee was Paula Miller, Kathy Hagbo, Nancy Heussman, Molly Phillips, Amy Eaton, Lynnette Palmer-ton, Lori Obert and Duana Palin.

Organist was Rosemary Handy. Congregational hymns were "Blest Be The Tie That Binds," "In The Garden" and "Let There Be Peace On Earth."

Honorary pallbearers were Jim Hunter, Bill Sheldon, Max Boyd, Barton Lemrick, Dayton Huebner and Brian VanHook.

Pallbearers were Paul Obert, Brian Hirz, Tom Eaton, Gail Hunter, David Hirz, Mike Hunter, Steve Phillips and Greg Sherwood.

Interment was at the Sidney, IA, Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials are directed to the Percival Rescue Squad or the Percival Community Church. Crawford-Marshall Funeral Chapel of Sidney was in charge of arrangements.

Lillian M. McElroy was born April 28, 1917, near Randalia, IA, in Fayette County, Harlan Township, to Harry Lavern Arthur and Caroline (Meyer) Arthur. She graduated from Randalia High School and attended Upper Iowa University for two years.

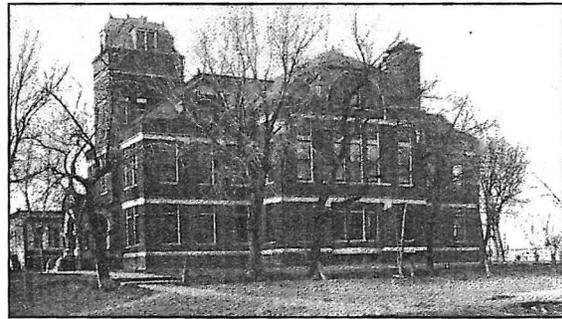
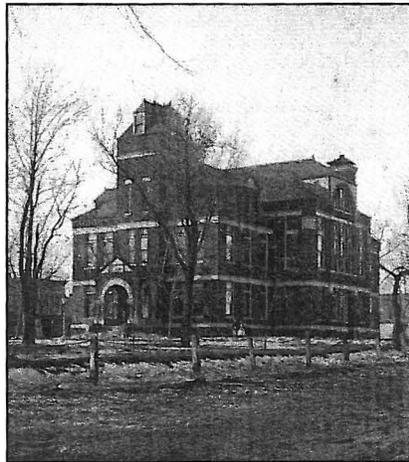
On June 28, 1936, she married Paul Edward McElroy in Randalia, IA.

She was a member of the Percival Community Church in Percival, IA, where she also served on the Church Board, a volunteer for the American Red Cross, member of P.E.O., the Percival Booster Club, the Best Ever Club and the Percival Church Guild.

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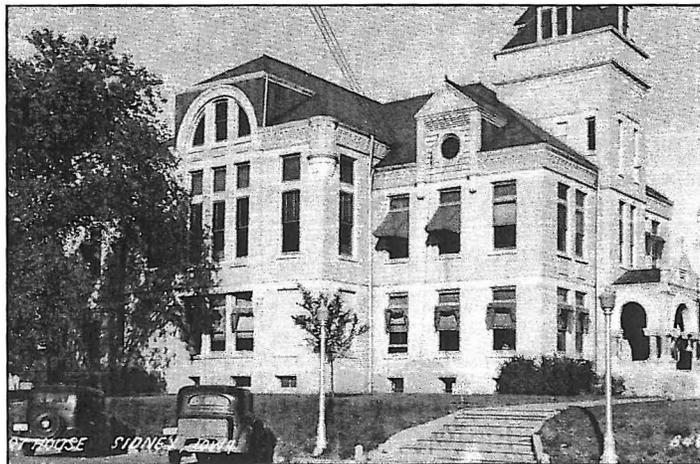
Handprints in Time Fremont County, Iowa
1996

FREMONT COUNTY IOWA



Top: Lightning struck high tower on this original building. Left: The courthouse before hitching chains were removed and there was no pavement. Above: Early courthouse photo. Below: Courthouse with paved roads. Photos courtesy of: Fremont County Historical Society and Robert and Evelyn Birkby.

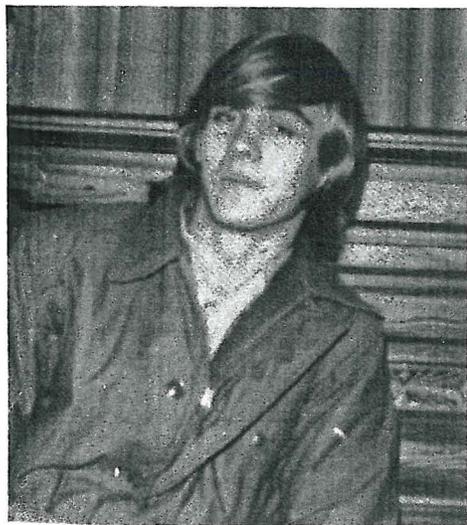
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The People of
Fremont County



Our Family



Tim McCoy - 1971

the only one that was stabbed. The investigator said, "Tim put up a heck of a fight before he died." John Gacy was treated for a stab wound that same day. Gacy's other thirty-two victims were handcuffed or tied up then strangled.

Fourteen years and five months after his death, Tim's remains were positively identified. On May 23, 1986 he was returned to Omaha, Nebraska to his final resting place next to his father in Hillcrest Memorial Cemetery.

Submitted by Linda Flowers (sister of Tim)

DAVID AND HESTER (JOHNSON) MCDANIEL

David and Hester (Johnson) McDaniel came to Fremont County from Minnesota in 1886.

David was described by a grandchild as a "dour

Scott"; his wife was a "little German lady".

David and Hester were hard-working farmers in their 40's, and this was the last of many moves, from their birthplace in Ohio, to Indiana, to Minnesota, to Kansas, back again to Minnesota. Times were hard; they lost two little girls in Kansas. Of their 11 children, 8 were living and moved with them, including later their oldest daughter Alice and her husband William Tey.

The McDaniels bought a farm between Sidney and Thurman and the younger children attended Lacy Grove school. From the farm, each child in turn married and, with few exceptions, began farming close to home with their parents' help. Their names grace many historical records: Josephine and John Tuey, Lewis and Lillie (Hammond) McDaniel, Archibald and Rose (Trewet) McDaniel, Howard and Elizabeth Ellen (Trewet) McDaniel, Wilbert and Myrtle (Porter) McDaniel, Tom and Susie (Olinger) McDaniel, Everett and Maude (Biggins) McDaniel.

In later years, the young families scattered, to Montana, Washington, Missouri, and elsewhere in Iowa. Descendants are more far-flung, but many of us remember parents' and grandparents' stories of Fremont County life in the first decades of this century. David and Hester were my great-grandparents. I remember where their large home stood, and where each member of the family lived. My mother, Mabel McDaniel Watson, was born in 1898 in a house two miles west of Lacy Grove school which stood for 80 years. I particularly remember family reunions in the 1930s at the home of "Bird" and Myrtle McDaniel near Thurman. Cousins from everywhere drove their Model T's through the gumbo to arrive at the feast, enjoy companionship and hear the old master story-tellers.

Submitted by Mary Jo Davis

MCELROY FAMILY

Alexander McElroy, a farmer, Pawnee Indian Superintendent and District Judge, born 1812

Beaver Co. PA to Matthew and Elinore McElroy of Ireland, married Holmes County OH 1836 Rachel Richards, born Wayne County, OH 1819, arrived High Creek area, Atchison County, MO 1843-44, sold land 1849, Alexander left for gold rush, did not return, married again and died 1882 Mercer County, CA. Rachel died 1875 Benton Township. Children Matthew Henry, Mary Ellen (Amos) Stiles, James Alexander (married Flora Mann) born Ohio and Sara Jane (Alan B.) McFarland, Katherine Adelia (James) Cassidy born Missouri.

Matthew, born 1837 Holmes County, OH was twelve years old when his father left, 1855 took his mother and siblings to Benton Township, Fremont County and bought a farm. Matthew was a farmer, deputy sheriff, constable, served in the Civil War, married 1869 Mary Helen Coy, born 1848 Madison County IN to Benjamin and Julia Ann Welsh Coy, who arrived in Fremont County 1852. Matthew died 1921, Mary 1931, Percival. Eight children born Benton Township, Eva Elvira, child, died in infancy.

William, a farmer, married Luetta Conyers in CO, lived Bingham, NE, children James, Alva, Chester, and Alice Roy.

Amos, a farmer and machinery dealer, Percival, married Geneva Hoyt, children Mildred Landis, Amos Hoyt. After Geneva's death he married her sister Grace.

Flora married Roscoe Williams, lived in CA, children Alta Thompson and Ada Kelso.

Edward, a farmer, married Myrtle Wadhams, children Paul and Dorothy Sonner.

Clyde, a farmer near Percival and Shenandoah, married Mary Elizabeth Leslie, children John, Raymond, Grace Foster, Clark, Carl (Bill), Perry, Mary Wills, Ralph, Robert, Wendell.

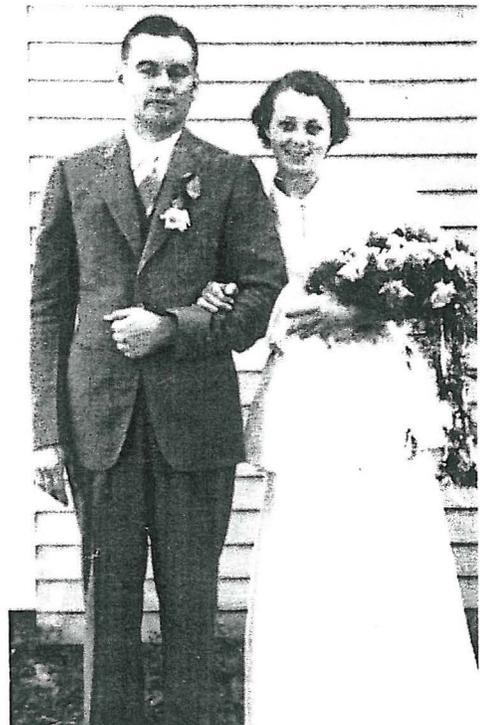
Alice married Clare Binnie, lived in CA, children David, Grace Smith.

James, lived Mexico, MO, married Mattie Bishop, children Wilma Largent and Harold. (See photo on page 268)

Submitted by Sharon Hirz

PAUL AND LILLIAN (ARTHUR) MCELROY

Paul Edward McElroy, a farmer, born 1907 to Edward and Myrtle Wadhams McElroy, graduated from Percival High School and Iowa State



Source: Iowa Territorial and State Legislators Collection compiled by volunteers and staff at the State Historical Society of Iowa Library, Des Moines, Iowa. Published by William McElroy, Wichita, Kansas, 1936



Matthew and Mary McElroy Family - 1919 Back- Geneva, Flora, James, Will, Clyde, Ed Middle-Myrtle, Mattie, Alice, Elizabeth, Amos Front-Claire, Mary, Luetta, Matthew, Roscoe



Sheryl, Sharon, Rodney, and Diane McElroy - 1958

College, married 1936 Lillian Mae Arthur, born 1917 in Fayette County, IA to Vern and Caroline Meyer Arthur, Lillian graduated from Randalia High School and attended Upper Iowa University. Paul was Fayette County Extension Director until 1942 when he returned to Fremont County to live and farm one half mile south and two miles east of Percival. Paul and Lillian both were Iowa State Representatives and were active with the Percival Community Church, Percival and Sidney Schools, 4-H, Fremont County Fair Association, Republican Party and many other community activities. Paul died in 1965 and Lillian remains on the same farm.

Sheryl, born 1938, graduated from Percival High School, married James Hunter, son of Robert and Hazel Greenwood Hunter of Thurman, had Michael, Gailyn, and Paula, lives in Hamburg with husband Richard Sjulín, son of Leslie and Elphie Anderson Sjulín and works at the Sidney Health Center.

Sharon, born 1940, graduated from Sidney High School and University of Iowa, married Dale Hirz, son of Harry and Hermie Fuelling Hirz of Locust Grove Township, had Katherine, Nancy, David, and Brian, lives in Tacoma, WA where Dale is an orthopedic surgeon.

Diane, born 1942, graduated from Sidney High School and University of Nebraska, married William Obert of Michigan, had Paul and Lori, lives in Grand Island, NE where husband Randall Seeger, son of Edwin and Beulah Fulton

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Seeger of Tabor works for Bosselman's Gas Co.

Paul Rodney, born 1946, graduated from Sidney High School, married Kathleen Taylor, daughter of Lyle and Georgia Taylor of Sidney, had Molly and Amy. Rod lives on the original farm of grandparents, Edward and Myrtle McElroy, farmed until a few years ago when he and his wife Judy Arthur of Nebraska City started an antique business on their farm and sell at antique shows.

Submitted by Mrs. Paul (Lillian) McElroy

ED AND ELIZA (ROGERS) MCGARGILL

Mr. McGargill was born in Perry County, Ohio in 1828 and moved to Venango County, Penn. in 1845. After remaining there for 11 years, he came to Iowa, settling in Jones County. After 9 years he moved to Dubuque, remaining there 9 years. From Dubuque he came to Fremont County and bought land; Section 14. He lived there until his death in 1908.

He was united in marriage to Eliza Rogers, a native of Ireland. By this union they had 6 children: William, Martha, Amy, Ida, Louis, and Anna.

Mr. and Mrs. McGargill were members of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church in Imogene. In 1894 Ed McGargill established the Citizens State Bank in Imogene and also ran the Grain Elevator in Imogene. He also farmed 400 acres of land.

He passed away in 1908 and his wife in 1923. Submitted by Ed McGargill

EDWARD JOSEPH AND GERTRUDE (TRAGESSER) MCGARGILL

Edward Joseph, son of Louis and Fannie (Sanger) McGargill, was born January 29, 1903, in Monroe Township, Fremont County. He attended country grade school and went to St. Mary's, Kansas, to high school. He graduated from Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska in 1922. He was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Imogene, Iowa.

After college he worked for 6 months in the steel mills in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. Then he went to Pocatello, Idaho to work for Union Pacific in their store for 4 years. He came back to



Edward McGargill Family - First Row - Matthew, Jake, Edward, Samuel, Gertrude, Mary Agnes, George, Paul. Back Row - Mark, John, Marilyn and Luke.

Imogene and was County Assessor for 2 years.

In 1933, he, along with Harold Teachout and Mick Miller, started the Farm Program for Fremont County. He worked in Sidney until 1936.

On Sept. 24, 1934, he married Gertrude Tragesser, daughter of Frank and Mamie Tragesser. Gertrude was born in 1911 in Tipton, Indiana. She came to Iowa in 1914 and attended country schools and high school in Knoxville, Iowa, and nursing training in Des Moines, Iowa.

To their union 11 children were born: Peter (1935-1937), Marilyn, Mark, Luke, John (1943-1982), Matthew (1945-1990), Paul, Jake, George, Mary Agnes (1952-1968), and Sam.

Ed bought the present farm in 1936 and continued to farm until his death in 1971. His wife, Gertrude, is still living on the farm and stays active in many things; St. Patrick's Altar Society, Cancer Board, Fremont County Reach to Recovery, Fremont County Historical Board, and has helped the Red Cross Bloodmobile for many years. She volunteers at the Shenandoah Hospital Gift Shop and keeps in contact with her many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Submitted by Mrs. Ed McGargill

GEORGE AND LAURA (INSERRA) MCGARGILL

George McGargill, son of Ed and Gertrude (Tragesser) McGargill, was born on March 6, 1950, at the Montgomery County Hospital in Red Oak, Iowa, and was raised on the family farm in Imogene, Iowa. He attended St. Patrick's Catholic Church and grade school. He also attended Campion High School, a Jesuit boarding school, in Prairie Du Chien, Wisconsin, for 2 years. He graduated from Shenandoah High School in 1968. He attended Iowa Western Community College in Clarinda for 1 1/2 years and the University of Wyoming for 1/2 year. In his early 20's, George traveled the western and southern parts of the United States and worked for a few area farmers around Imogene. He started farming full time in 1974 and bought his first farm in 1978. He eventually returned for 3 years of night school at Buena Vista College and graduated Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Accounting.

On August 17, 1979, he was united in marriage to Laura Inserra, daughter of Anthony and Elizabeth Inserra of Omaha, Nebraska. Laura was born on December 27, 1954. She attended Holy Cross Catholic Church and grade school, Archbishop Ryan High School and graduated from the University of Nebraska Medical Center with a Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology. She was a staff tech and clinical instructor in the laboratory at Methodist Hospital in Omaha when she met George.

To this union, 5 children were born: Abe, Ben, Clay, Dane, and Audrey. The children attend Farragut Community School.

George and Laura and their family continue to farm in Fremont County and also raise Registered Angus cattle. They are also active in business, school, church, and community organizations.

Submitted by Mrs. Ed McGargill

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